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Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Receives initial batch of COVID-19 Vaccine

By Kayla Duoos

CASS LAKE – The first COVID-19 vaccines have been delivered to the Leech Lake Reservation.

Initial distributions of vaccines began at IHS facilities across the country on December 14, 2020 starting with the Cass Lake Indian Hospital. The first IHS employee was vaccinated at 2:00 pm CST on Monday, December 14 and is believed to be the first in the state to receive the vaccine.

The vaccine received was the Pfizer edition and all 16 people who received a dose will receive a second dosage, 21 days after the initial vaccination. IHS Director, Michael D. Weahkee says this first roll out of the vaccine is only a small step of a larger plan.

“IHS has been preparing and planning to distribute, administer initial and subsequent allocations of the COVID-19 vaccine throughout Indian Country...the first allocation of Pfizer and Moderna doses will allow IHS to vaccinate 100% of our healthcare workforce and all residents of our long-term care facilities,” said Weahkee. IHS care facilities have been allotted 46,000 Moderna vaccines and more than 22,000 Pfizer vaccines for their rollout.

Each Tribal facility who has care provided by the IHS had the option to choose to get their vaccines from the state or through IHS. 338 of those facilities chose to go with the IHS’s rollout plan. Among those tribes were Leech Lake, White Earth and Red Lake. The vaccine rollout will include first distributing vaccines to health care staff, long term care



District II Representative Steve White being administered COVID-19 vaccination.

staff and residents then priority populations will later be determined by a collaboration between Tribal Councils and IHS staff.

As someone who had personally been affected by the pandemic, LLBO Council Member Leroy Staples-Fairbanks made it a priority to stand alongside elders and healthcare workers to show support as they received doses.

“The vaccine being rolled out here is a huge change in direction of where this country, and where this world is going. For us to be

on the front of the list is huge, I’m thankful to the staff who got us to this point...we realize there are over 500 IHS facilities across this country so to be selected as one of the first to receive the vaccine is a big thing. This is a critical time in our history, and this is the first step towards brighter days,” said Staples-Fairbanks.

For further information on the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines, as well as the IHS rollout plan please visit <https://www.ihs.gov/coronavirus/vaccine>

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12:00PM to 3:00PM

20th ONIGUM Community Center
12:00PM to 3:00PM

21st BENA Community Center
12:00PM to 3:00PM

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'LAND BACK'

Leech Lake Reservation Restoration Act Passes House, Heads to the White House for Final Approval

By Kayla Duoos

WASHINGTON, DC – On Thursday, December 3, the U.S. House of Representatives unanimously passed S. 199, the Leech Lake Reservation Restoration Act. The bill was sponsored by Senator Tina Smith. Rep. Betty McCollum introduced, H.R. 733, the identical House companion version of the bill.

The bill directs the Chippewa National Forest to transfer 11,760 acres of Forest Service lands to the Department of the Interior to be held in trust for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe as part of the Reservation. The lands to be transferred back to the Reservation were illegally transferred by the Interior Department to the Chippewa National Forest in the 1940s and 50s without consent of the Band or individual allottees.

During this period the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) wrongly interpreted an order from the Department of the Interior (DOI), which led them to believe they had the authority to sell tribal

land without the consent of a majority of the landowners. The practice came to an abrupt end in 1959 when the Secretary of the Interior advised the BIA that they were illegal and ordered them to cease the transactions.

A 1986 Supreme Court Decision (UNITED STATES v. MOTTAZ, 476 U.S. 834) ruled that landowners who had lost land in this manner were prevented from seeking legal recourse due to a 12 year statute of limitations clause in the Quiet Title Act of 1972.

The bills acknowledge this decision but also recognize the ruling of a Federal judge who stated that the land could be restored to tribal trust status for members through an act of Congress.

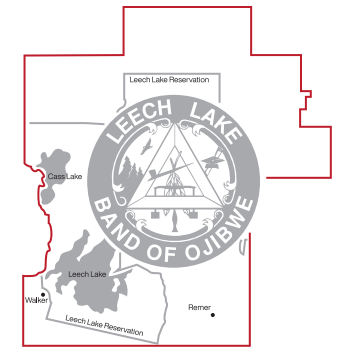
During today's House floor debate on S. 199, Rep. McCollum and Rep. Pete Stauber made statements about the tragic history of these land takings, speaking in favor of the bill, and urging their colleagues to support its passage.

The bill previously passed the U.S. Senate by unanimous consent in June of 2019. S. 199 now goes to the White House for the President's signature.

Chairman Jackson provided the following statement upon passage of the bill:

"The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Council and our entire community say chi-miigwech to Senator Smith, Rep. McCollum, and everyone who helped this longstanding effort to pass the Leech Lake Reservation Restoration Act."

"Our Reservation was established through a series of treaties and executive orders from 1855 to 1874, which promised that it would serve as our permanent homeland. The United States violated these solemn promises repeatedly, reducing our trust lands to 5 percent of our initial Reservation. Additional lands were illegally transferred out of trust in the



1940s and 50s. The Leech Lake Restoration Act focuses on these illegal transfers by restoring 11,760 acres of our homelands to tribal trust status."

"Restoring this small portion of our homelands will enable us to combat the lack of housing and related problems that have been highlighted as urgent needs by the ongoing pandemic."

"We look forward to working with the Chippewa National Forest to finalize the plan of survey required under the Act to ensure that transferred lands address the immediate needs of the Band in keeping with the Forest Service's policy of limiting fragmentation of federal land holdings."

Passage of this bill helps restore a sense of justice that generations of Leech Lakers have worked to achieve. Our entire community rejoices today, and we again thank Senator Smith, Rep. McCollum and everyone that helped make this day a reality.

First in history, Native American U.S. Rep. Deb Haaland named Interior Secretary

By Kayla Duoos

WASHINGTON, DC – The U.S. might soon have its first Indigenous person to serve in a presidential cabinet.

President-elect Joe Biden announced his nomination for Rep. Deb Haaland (D-New Mexico) to serve as the Director of Interior for his upcoming term. A move that signals a potential shift in the relationship between tribes and the federal government.

Haaland who was elected in 2019 and serves New Mexico's 1st con-

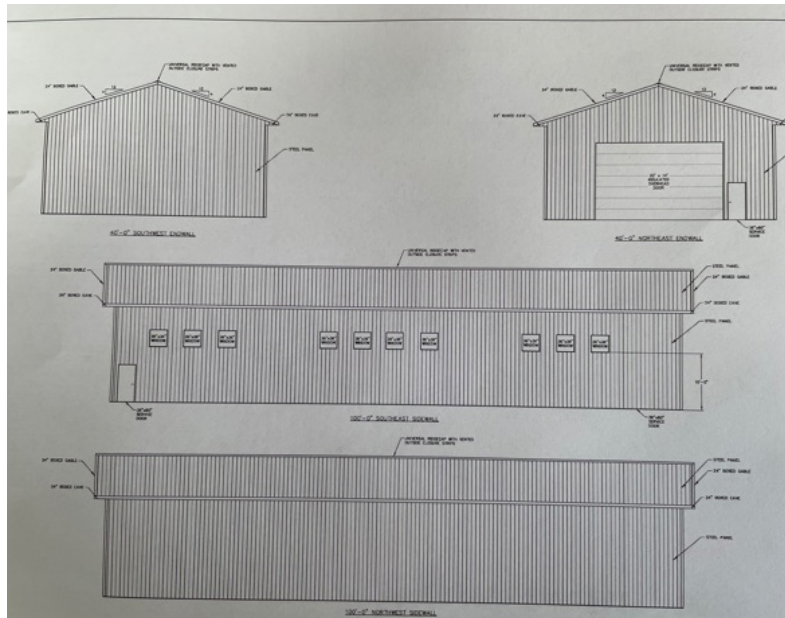
gressional district said the nomination is big and is honored to be considered.

"A voice like mine has never been a Cabinet secretary or at the head of the Department of Interior. Growing up in my mother's Pueblo household made me fierce. I'll be fierce for all of us, our planet, and all of our protected land. I am honored and ready to serve," said Haaland.

If confirmed by the senate, Haaland would be responsible for not only managing the nation's public lands but also honoring its treaties with Tribes.



Rep. Deb Haaland will be the country's first Native American Cabinet Secretary. Photo: Juan Labreche/AP



Drawings of the new building set to go up during LLTC Spring semester.

Giwaakaaigemin Project

LLTC Set to Expand Campus in 2021 with We Build Project

Submitted by Leech Lake Tribal College

CASS LAKE – The Leech Lake Tribal College will be breaking ground on a new building come spring semester.

The 40ft x 100ft building is the result of a grant from the American Indian College Fund which asked colleges to come up with innovative ways to up student retention. LLTC Director of Assessment and Institutional Research Helen Zaikina-Montgomery, and Instructor Rochelle “Rocky” Carpenter partnered on writing the grant for the building, with the idea in mind to provide upcoming carpentry students a safe place to work year-round while being able to gain hands-on experience.

The build project entitled “Giwaakaaigemin” project or “we build” in English will begin spring semester. The building is a chance to leave a lasting legacy at the college, and Zaikina-Montgomery said this was one point she highlighted while writing the grant “every time students will go by the college, they’ll know they were a part of that history.”

Carpenter says the school is now looking for students to enroll in the carpentry program to participate, and that the program has special grants in place for women who are interested in trades that can cover both tuition and rent.

“This project is unique. Students will research, design, and build this training facility together. They’re going to get to see firsthand all of the changes that have happened to the construction industry in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The students who participate will have a leg-up in the workforce come graduation,” said Carpenter.

Community members and students who are interested in participating in this project are encouraged to register for LLTC’s Spring Semester and enroll in the carpentry program. You can visit the college at 45 Little Wolf Rd NW, Cass Lake, MN from 8am-4:30pm or call (218) 335-4200.

LLBO and Cass County Annual Meeting Report

CASS LAKE – The Leech Lake Tribal Council held their annual yearly meeting with Cass County, Monday November 30 at Cedar Lakes Casino and over Zoom.

The tribal and city government used the time to review departmental standings and goals for 2021 in the following departments: judiciary, law enforcement, roads and trails, human services, environment, and legislative.

Also on the table were two action items including; a motion to approve LLBO and Cass County participation in JDAI together, and motion to approve waiting TERO fees on local projects when LLBO and/or Cass County are the only source of funds. Both motions were approved.

The following reports have been provided by the featured LLBO and Cass County departments.

REPORTS

Department: Judiciary and Legal

2020 Status:

- Justice center is working well, juvenile cases being heard with county staff-reducing transportation barrier
- Tribal court electronic connectivity confirmed with State Systems
- CD assessment barrier solution being explored
- Participate in JDAI program

2021 Goals:

- Continue Cass county and LLBO Wellness court
- Continue to operate on new opportunities for the use of the Judicial center
- Juvenile justice initiatives-juvenile detention alternative and diversion.
- Participate in JDAI program process together

Department: Law Enforcement

2020 Status:

- Emergency Management Team using new siren control equipment at LLBO and county dispatch centers
- Documenting number of fire calls and service providers

throughout the reservation-ongoing

- Kego house numbers and address updates for emergency response-completed

2021 Goals:

- E911 House Numbers planned for Longville area and next target needs to be determined
- Update Law Enforcement Agreement
- POST Board Standards
- Mental Health Training

Department: Roads and Trails

2020 Status:

- Additional walking trail projects adjacent to high volume roads-ongoing
- LLBO representative on Region 5 Transportation Advisory Committee-TAC
- Bena Street Reconstruction Project-Scheduled to be completed in 2021
- Completed joint project on CR 136

2021 Goals:

- Pedestrian Bridge over HWY 2 in Cass Lake
- Train Project on Trunk HWY 2
- Noxious and Invasive Species Treatment program-pilot project on CSAH 13 (Onigum Road)
- Continue to review 5-year road plans for opportunities to collaborate on projects
- TERO fee cooperation

Department: Human Services and Public Health

2020 Status:

- LLBO participation in County Child protection team screening team-ongoing
- Collaboration drive-thru flu vaccines at Cedar Lakes Event Center

2021 Goals:

- Support Preventive Services
- Support Homelessness initiatives
- Collaboration with COVID-19 vaccines
- Spend Bush Grant Funds on Juvenile Homeless Shelter furniture

Department: Environment/Land Management

2020 Status:

- Stony Pt. and Sugar Pt. waste water systems improvements-work continues to move project forward
- Solid Waste Management-New contract with Waste Partners increased costs-providing assistance for Leech Lake Solid Waste
- Exchanging Technical Support at staff level- management plans and agency contacts
- Collaborate on recycling bins at LLBO Cass Lake Transfer Station

2021 Goals:

- Continue to explore funding for land acquisition following resource management plans and goals
- Solid Waste Management-monitor new contract
- Complete new solid waste agreement
- Continue to work together on aquatic invasive species prevention initiatives
- Collaborate on recycling bins at LLBO transfer station

Department: General and Legislative

2020 Status:

- Absentee voting at LLBO government center-ongoing
- LLBO and County Board work together regarding legislative priorities
- Tax Exempt parcels for LLBO-working together towards a solution
- Legislative Briefing on State issues-exchange priorities and status for December 15th, 2020 county board meeting

2021 Goals:

- County share of State share of Tribal/State tax agreement-continue efforts to keep locally generated funds in the community
- Legislative briefings on State Issues-exchange priorities and status for December 2021 County board meeting
- Learn from each other on redistricting possibility with 2020 census results
- Increase communications regarding elections and voting opportunities within the reservation boundary

BUG-O-NAY-GE-SHIG SCHOOL NEWS



Bug O Nay Ge Shig School Director Dan McKeon and many other school staff began receiving their covid vaccines through the efforts of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and the Indian Health Service.



Pictured above: Student Alanna (Left) works with Educator Linda Belgarde. Bug O Nay Ge Shig School continues to do distance learning with all classes on-line. Students do have the option to come to the school for in-person support on a rotating basis so that there are only 15 students at the school at one time. Students are in separate classrooms and everyone is masked. Students receive a meal and supports such as tutoring and counseling. Food service continues to be provided to each student daily by deliveries to each household.

CLEVELAND MLB TEAM ANNOUNCES NAME CHANGE, DROPPING RACIST MASCOT

By Kayla Duoos

OHIO – Cleveland's MLB team will drop the racial moniker from their name following the 2021 season.

The name change was announced December 14, in an open letter to fans by owner Paul Dolan. The franchise which has gone by the name *ndians since 1915, has begun looking at its options for a new name and have previously phased out use of the "Chief Wahoo" logo.

Dolan said. "The new name, and I do not know what it is, will not be a name that has Native American themes or connotations to it."

The National Congress of

American Indians (NCAI) President Fawn Sharp released a statement on behalf of the organization following the news of the team's name change, and shared that the NCAI joined other national and local Native organizations and leaders, local civic leaders, and academic experts over the past several months to educate Cleveland's leadership on the harm the name caused, and it is committed to partnering with the team moving forward to educate it's community.

"Today's announcement represents a monumental step forward in Indian Country's decades-long effort to educate America about what

respect for tribal nations, cultures, and communities entails, and how sports mascots like the 'Indians' prevent our fellow Americans from understanding and valuing who Native people are today, what makes us unique, and the many contributions we make to this country," said NCAI President Fawn Sharp. "The genuine commitment the team has made to listen to and learn from Indian Country over the past several months is to be applauded, and the process the team used should serve as a blueprint for sports teams and schools across the nation as this movement for racial justice and inclusion continues to grow."

District III Elder Birthdays

January

From the District III Office
LeRoy, Toni & Kari

- Delores Fairbanks
- Johnny Fairbanks
- Kathryn Fairbanks
- Priscilla Fairbanks
- Jewel Finn
- Jennifer French
- Cynthia Gale
- Claircy Gonzales
- Coleen Gullickson
- Howard Hardy
- Ronald Hare
- Jeffrey Harper
- Douglas Harrison
- Loren Howard
- Lorie Howard
- Rosetta Howard
- Teri Howard
- Vikki Howard
- Wallace Humphrey
- Patricia Jackson
- Carol Jenkins
- Cheryl Johnson

- Nancy Johnson
- Annabel Kingbird
- Margery Kumalae
- Helen Lindemann
- Francis Littlewolf
- Rosalie Lovelace
- Kim Lucero
- Jeffrey Lyons
- Deborah MacKinnon
- Larry Madigan
- Arthur Mainville
- Betty McCormack
- Jerry Morgan
- Ernestine Morgan-Johnson
- Tracy Morrow
- James Nason
- Jay Nordmarken
- Russell Northbird
- Vernon Northbird
- Roberta Olson
- Lawrence Otto

- Jacqueline Peltier
- Barbara Perleberg
- Teresa Northbird-Persell
- Jerry Reyes
- Carol Rober
- Debbi Roberts
- Larry Robinson
- Bernard Rock
- Eugene Rock
- Lianne Ryan
- Dewayne Smith
- George Smith
- John Smith
- Samuel Smith
- Alexander Stolitza
- Wallace Storbakken
- Victoria White
- Nancy Whitebird
- Gloria Wilson
- Gregory Wright
- Ricky Wuori
- Todd Wuori

ALL ELDERS ARE ENTITLED TO \$10 SLOT PLAY & \$10 MEAL COUPON THAT MUST BE USED WITHIN THE BIRTHDAY MONTH.

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LEECH LAKE DRM WILD RICE REPORT

LEECH LAKE DIVISION OF RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

2020



Total days buying
29 Days



Avg. amount of funds spent daily
\$15,897.00



Avg. daily number of rice purchases
35

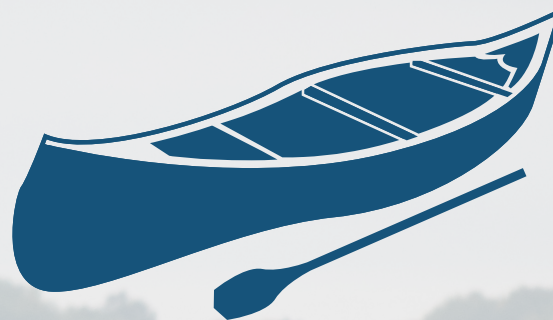


Avg. daily LBS. purchased
5,299 LBS



Green rice sales/donations

800 LBS Fond Du Lac rice restoration
200 LBS Rice finishing demonstration at Bug O Nay Ge Shig School
TOTAL – 11,436 LBS x \$2.00 = \$22,872.00
20,000 LBS x \$1.70 = \$34,000.00



Avg. money per sale
\$454.20 (equates to a \$37.00 per hr. job)



Total green rice purchase
153,690 LBS



Total amount spent
\$461,070 - \$2,400 = \$458,670.00



Conclusion

2020 was an above average year for pounds purchased and likely would have been an extremely above average year, but some storms early in the harvesting season limited the amount of rice available for harvest. We had several people placed on the wall of shame for dirty rice or in one case no rice at all instead just grass clippings. This year due to the COVID pandemic we utilized an alternate system for payments, with ricers collecting their payment in voucher form redeemable at Cedar Lakes Casino or White Oak Casino when LLDRM was purchasing rice in District I. This was an effort to reduce people congregating and we are happy to report that no COVID-19 infections were documented as a result of our Manoomin purchasing program. In closing we had to cancel the annual Take a Kid Ricing event, but hope next year we will be able to make the event bigger and better than ever!



Obituaries



Daniel "Boone" Rushman



After a courageous five year battle with cancer, Daniel "Boone" Joseph Rushman, "Chinoodin" which means "Big Wind", of Max, Minnesota started his spiritual journey at home on November 29th, 2020 at the young age of 44, surrounded by his family.

Daniel was born in Cass Lake, MN on January 8th, 1976 to Ernest and Donna (Rushman) Johnson. He had a kind heart. Daniel was a big kid at heart with a contagious sense of humor, laugh and smile. Daniel was always smiling, no matter the circumstance. He enjoyed attending powwows where he was a traditional dancer. Before his illness, Daniel enjoyed playing softball, ricing, bough picking, making wreaths and just being outdoors. He loved being with his daughter, Alyssa; as well as hanging out with his nieces and nephews. Daniel was known for his Mac soup and he loved his moms frybread. He is eternally loved and will be missed dearly.

He is welcomed to the spirit world by his daughter, Montana Silverstar Rushman; paternal grandparents, Sam and Rose Johnson; maternal grandparents, Henry and Izetta Rushman; special auntie, Debra Lynn Rushman, many aunties, uncles and relatives.

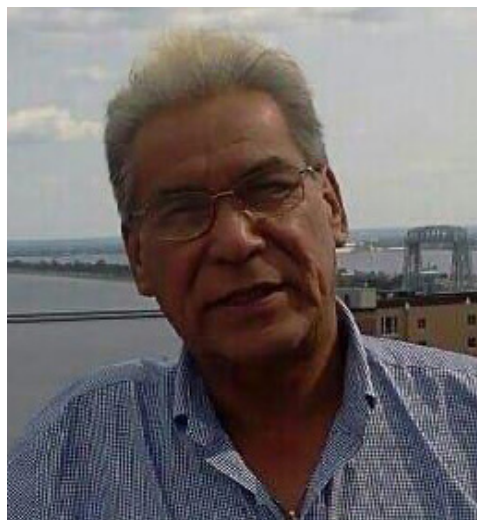
Daniel leaves behind his daughter, Alyssa Danielle Strong; parents, Ernest and Donna Johnson; brothers, Delbert Rushman, Sr. and Ernie (Anna) Johnson; sisters, Marion, Izetta and Kristina Rushman, Lyla and Emma

(Dale) Johnson, Rosemary (Jeremy) Thompson and Samantha (Curtis) Laroque and numerous other family members.

A private overnight wake for Daniel will begin at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 1st and continue until his 10:00 a.m. traditional service on Wednesday, December 2nd all being held at his parents' home in Max, MN. Waa-maajaa'iwed is Steve Jackson. Pallbearers for Daniel will be Rob Rushman, Jeremy Thompson, Curtis Laroque, Delbert Rushman, Jr., Phil Johnson and Thomas Jenkins. His honorary pallbearers are all his nephews. Interment will be in the George Johnson Memorial Cemetery at Winnie Dam, MN.

Daniel's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northernpeace.com

Darrell Gale



Darrell (Dags, The Kid, Weedhopper, Migizi) Dennis Gale passed into the spirit world on November 11, 2020. Darrell was born in Cass Lake, Minnesota to Lillian (Johnson) Gale and Bert Gale, Sr. He graduated from Remer Northland High School and attended Minnesota University Crookston, majoring in Agriculture/Natural Resources. Upon completing his internship with the BIA Forestry Program, he worked for the US Forest Service/Chippewa National Forest. After retiring from the Forestry service, Darrell kept the doors of the Countryside Inn open for the next 29 years.

Darrell loved the outdoors and was an avid bird watcher naming all types that would visit him. He loved visiting and sharing his many stories with both family and friends. He had a knack of leaving a "mark" on everyone he met. Darrell had high hopes of the Vikings one day winning the Super Bowl. One great highlight in his life was dancing his first Pow Wow at Battle Point Grounds in September 2019. Darrell was very proud of his heritage and passed traditions on to his children and grandchildren.

Darrell was preceded in death by his Soul Mate Sandy Klaers, his parents and an infant daughter Michelle. Along with brothers: Alvin Gale, Bert Gale, Jr., Ronald Gale, Vernon Gale and Kenneth Gale. Sisters: Dollian (Kirk) Kottmeyer and Betty Lou Mettler.

He is survived by daughters Krisa (Antoine) Fairbanks, Katie Guthrie, Rachel (Ron) Klaers-Martin; son, Kerry (Kathy) Klaers and grandchildren Aiyana, Braziel, Roman, Ryan, Makayla, Dakota and Memphis, many nieces, nephews, cousins and hundreds of friends.

There will be a Traditional Ceremony at Battle Point Community Center at Sugar Point beginning on Wednesday, November 18, at 7:00 p.m. Allen Hardy will be his Spiritual Advisor. Pallbearers for Darrell will be Jay Northbird, Pete Robinson, Aaron Guthrie, Antoine Fairbanks, Mike Mitchell and . His honorary pallbearers are Frank Marion, Kirk, Kottmeyer, Alvin White, Joel Ruhl and James Mitchell. Darrell will be laid to rest in the Battle Point Cemetery on Friday, November 20 at 10:00 a.m.

Many Miigwetchs to Tessa Reed and David Chase for helping Papa through his journey to the spirit world.

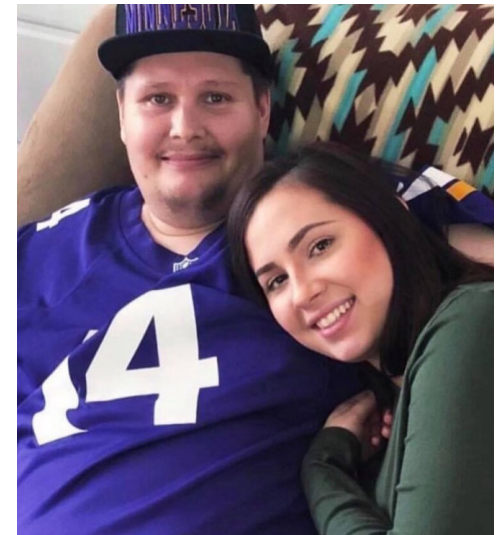
"IT JUST DON'T GET NO BETTER THAN THIS."

Darrell's care has been entrusted to the Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be given at www.northernpeace.com

Donald Brown

Donald Erwin Brown, age 46, Warrior of the Bear Clan and the Leech Lake Band began his spiritual journey from Minneapolis, Minnesota on November 5th, 2020. He was born to Ronald Sr. and Barbara (Johnson) Brown on May 4th, 1974 in Sacramento, California.

Donnie loved his children dearly and was so proud to become a grandpa to Kai, born on



July 24th, 2020. He enjoyed the Vikings and eating his candy. Donnie especially loved spending time with his children and having Wednesday night dinners with them. He loved visiting the rez, hunting, fishing and playing chess. Donnie had a great sense of humor; from the hood to the wood, laughter was his medicine. Donnie was proud to be Anishinaabe.

Family that Donnie joins are his mother, Barbara; father, Ronald Sr.; sister, Mary and other family in the spirit world.

He leaves behind his fiancé, Josie Boldt; children, Naomi (David), Alex (McKenzie) and Eva; grandson, Kai; stepmother, Laurie Carlson; brothers, Thomas, Ronald Jr., Ray, Byron, Daniel Harley, Mishikii and John; sisters, Dawn "Dwa", Ahgahshee, Vera and Sophia, mother of his children, Clare Brown and many nieces, nephews and other family.

Wake services for Donnie will begin at 4:00 p.m., Saturday, November 7th and continue until his 11:00 a.m. funeral service on Monday, November 9th all being held at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Cass Lake, MN. Pallbearers for Donnie will be Alex, Tommy, Ronnie, Ray, Byron, Daniel, Harley and Mish. Alternate pallbearers are Meanie Huffman and David Gustafson. Interment will be in the Lakeview Cemetery at Bena, MN following his Monday services.

Donnie's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northernpeace.com

Joseph Howard

Joseph Wayne Howard, age 56, of Onigum, Minnesota began his journey from his home on Thursday, November 12th, 2020.

Joe was born to Frieda (Oothoudt) and LeRoy Howard at the General Hospital in

Minneapolis, MN on August 25th, 1964. He was the second oldest of seven other siblings. Joseph attended Walker School from K-12 as an advanced student all around. In high school, he was on the varsity teams of football, wrestling and track. Joe graduated with honors and scholarships on May 23rd, 1982 leading him to his next step in life. The following fall he attended Macalester College in St. Paul pursuing an Arts degree, but later transferred to Staples AVTI and received his diploma in Natural Resources Technology.

After his schooling he came home doing odds and ends jobs around the area, mostly at resorts, until the first Northern Lights Casino opened. Joe was one of the two men holding the doors while guests entered the Grand Opening in 1991. He started there as a security officer, then tried other positions, until ultimately ending up working with the blackjack tables as a Pit Boss. Joseph worked for the Northern Light Casino for 25+ years until he decided to work for Leech Lake Transportation. Joseph took pride in raising his children. He encouraged them to do their best and do the right thing. If he felt they could do better, he would reassure them in a firm way...that's just the way he was. He only wanted the best for his children.

Joe will be remembered by his beautiful landscaping and gardening, amazing art work, passion for cooking the biggest platter of baked Christmas goodies, random bouquets of the prettiest flowers for Mom from his garden, and let's not forget his comic book collection.

He is welcomed home by his grandfather John; grandmother, Frances; father, LeRoy; stepfather, Ray; brother, Francis; sister, Rosalynda; nephews, James, Jason and Eric and great niece, Zendayah.

Those he leaves behind are his significant other, Rana; mother, Frieda; children, Joseph (Jessica), LeRoy, Jasmine, Amber and Dominic; grandchildren, Deondre, Cecelia, Layla, LeRoy Jr., and Frieda Lynn; great granddaughter, Aria; brothers, Stephen (Nena), Patrick (Rosetta), Daniel (Wanda), Frank (LaVonne) and Aaron; sister, LaVae Oothoudt, numerous nieces, nephews and other family members.

An overnight wake for Joe will begin at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 18th and continue until his 11:00 a.m. traditional service on Thursday, November 19th all held at the Onigum Community Center, Onigum, MN. Pallbearers are Joe Gale, LeRoy Gale, Kevin Rico, Deondre Gale, Charles Oothoudt, Roman Oothoudt, Shawn Butcher and Sam Reese. His alternate and

honorary pallbearers are Rana Goode, Craig Rico, Matthew Frazer, Dave Smith, Rob Jordan and Norman Lawrence. Interment will be in the Old Agency Catholic Cemetery at Old Agency, MN.

Joseph's Care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family can be left at www.northernpeace.com

Terrence Shaugobay



Terrance Wayne Shaugobay, age 56, "Bidaasige" which means "Glows in the Wind" of the Wolf Clan and Grand Rapids, Minnesota journeyed to the spirit world on Thursday, November 12th, 2020 from St. Mary's Medical Center in Duluth, MN. Terry was born to Leona (Morrow) and Joseph Shaugobay, Sr. on October 10th, 1962 in Junction City, Kansas.

Terry was a very mischievous kid, always be getting into trouble and not doing what he was told. He was an outdoorsman who like fishing, hunting and helping his dad work on vehicles when he got older. Terry became a mechanic and welder. He loved working on cars until 2008 when he could not work anymore due to his disability. Terry was a good and loving father who loved his children very much and would take them shopping, hunting, swimming and fishing when he was able. He liked joking and teasing anybody he met, just to get that person in a good mood. Terry was very considerate to all his nieces and nephews making sure they would get present on their special day.

Family that welcomes Terry to the spirit world are his father, Joseph Shaugobay, Sr.; brothers, Joseph Jr. and Alvin Shaugobay; sister, Wanda Shaugobay; grandparents, James and Josie Shaugobay and John and

Lettie Morrow; aunts and uncles, Hartley, Arthur, LaVerne S., Max Sr., Eunice, Carolyn, Darlene, Lettie, Janice, Earl, Irvine, John, Richard, Lee, Roy, Irene and Violet; cousins, Geoff, Michael, Audrey, Gregory and many more family members.

He leaves behind his mother, Leona Shaugobay; sons, Jonathan Shaugobay and Alvin Burnette; daughters, Leona Jr., Terri LeAnn and Sylvia Shaugobay and Kaylee Burnette; brothers, James and Joel Shaugobay; one granddaughter, aunts, Laura Moose and Barbara Shipley; uncle, Jack Morrow; nieces, Kelsie, Ashley, Brianna and Cordelia; nephews, Brandon and Randall; great nieces, Annabel and Esmee, cousins too numerous to name and many more relatives and friends.

An overnight wake for Terry will begin at 3:00 p.m., Monday, November 16th and continue until his 11:00 a.m. traditional service on Tuesday, November 17th all taking place at the Sugar Point Community Center in Federal Dam, MN. Pallbearers for Terry are Joe Shaugobay, Jonny Shaugobay, Gary Van Pelt, Eric Hawkins, Randall Shaugobay and Joseph Iceman. His honorary pallbearers are all of his family and friends. Interment will be in the Battle Point Burial Grounds at Federal Dam, MN following his Tuesday services.

Terry's care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northernpeace.com

Charles "Chucky" Kingbird



Charles "Chucky" Anthony Kingbird "Giniw Inini, Golden Eagle Man," Bear Clan, 29, of Cass Lake, MN died Monday, November 23, 2020 in Cass Lake, MN.

Traditional Funeral Services will be held at 10:00am, Tuesday, December 1, 2020 at the

Mission Community Center in Cass Lake, MN, with Spiritual Leader Allen Hardy officiating, and drum group Giiwaydin "North Wind." A wake will begin at 5:00pm, Sunday, November 29, 2020, at the Mission Community Center, and will continue until the time of the service. Interment will be at the Burial Grounds on Mission Corner in Cass Lake, MN under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home in Bemidji.

He was born on November 1, 1991 in Bemidji, MN the son of Marilyn (Fineday) Wind and Derek Kingbird Sr. He was a very kind and loving person. He received his GED, and went on to work with the Leech Lake YouthBuild. Chuck was a great son. He was always at his mother's side, A "Mommy's Boy." He was very trustworthy and made a lot of friends. He had the smile that showed people what kind of person he was. He had a laugh that he did often when talking with everyone. He was very intelligent when it came to electronics, and could fix about anything. He enjoyed going to the Casino. He loved playing his Xbox and gaming all night with his friends.

He loved his children so much, he was a very good father. They will miss him dearly.

He is survived by his: Children, Charles and Calista, Special Friend, Jyllica Morin, Mother, Marilyn (Colin Rushman) Wind, Father, Derek Kingbird Sr., Sisters, Cassandra K. Kingbird, Natasha Fineday, Brothers, David L. Kingbird, Derek D. Kingbird Jr., Donavin Fineday, Ryan Staples, Grandmother, Elizabeth Kingbird, Grandfather Louis Junco, Great Aunt and Uncle, Karyn and Donald Wind Sr., Aunts, Dawn Fineday, Diane Fineday, Diane Kingbird Whitebird.

He was preceded in death by his; Grandmother Barbara Fineday, Grandfather John Wind Sr., Aunt Sheryl Hill, Uncle John Fineday, Niece Abinooji Dawn, Uncle Arnold Kingbird, Grandma Delma Kingbird, Grandfather Gordon "Gabby" Headbird, Uncle Daniel Kingbird Sr., and Grandma Josephine Rogers.

Active Casketbearers will be: Cody Brown, Ryan Staples, Jerrin Wilson Sr., Jerrin Wilson Jr., Derek Kingbird Jr., Dennis Staples Jr., Kenneth Staples Jr., Donavin Fineday, Devin Fineday, Alfred Desjarlait, Junior Cronquist, Alex Hart, Jason Hart, Casey Hart, Avery Harper, John Johnson, Jerome Johnson, Simon Whipple, Barney Kingbird, Willie Kingbird, Norman Kingbird, and Mike Kingbird.

Condolences may be left at ceasefuneralhome.com.



Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Court

200 Sailstar Dr. NW
Cass Lake, MN 56633
218.335.3682 • 218.335.4418

Honorable Paul W. Day **Chief Judge of Tribal Court**
Honorable Amber Ahola **Associate Judge of Tribal Court**

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of Carla Gotchie

Court File No. CP-19-08

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on October 20, 2020, a **Suspension of Parental Rights was filed** in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parents. The next hearing date is Monday, January 25, 2021 at 10:30 am. Please contact the Court for a copy of the Petition at (218) 335-3682 or 3586. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order against you.

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Name Change of: K.J.S-S., Minor Child, DOB: 05/04/2012; G.J.S-S., Minor Child, DOB: 04/15/2014. Michaela Fairbanks, Petitioner/Applicant; Valerie St. Cyr and Steven Schaaf, Respondents,

Case No. CV-20-67
CV-20-68

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that **a(n) Hearing in the above-entitled matter will be held on February 25th, 2021**

at **10:30 a.m.** in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom, Tribal Justice Center, in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The hearing will be before the Honorable David Harrington, Deputy Judge of Tribal Court. You are required to appear at the above time and place for the hearing.

If the petitioner fails to appear at the Leech Lake Tribal Court at the above date and time for the hearing, the matter may be dismissed by the Court.

If the respondent fails to appear at the Leech Lake Tribal Court at the above date and time for the hearing, default judgment may be taken against you at that time and the requested relieve may be granted to the petitioner.

You are served with this notice via legal publication in the DeBahJiMon in two consecutive issues (Leech Lake Judicial Code, Title 2, Part II, Rule 5, Section C(5)) because you are a party to this proceeding or you are a person whose presence is important to determination concerning your child.

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In Re the Guardianship of: A.H., DOB: 06/06/2012. Sheila Lyons, Petitioner; Marilyn Wind, Intervenor, and Melissa Wakonabo, Respondent.

Case No. FA-19-26

NOTICE

TO: All Parties of Record, YOU

ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that **a(n) Review Hearing in the above-entitled matter will be held on February 25th, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.** in the Leech Lake Tribal Courtroom, Tribal Justice Center, in Cass Lake, Minnesota. The hearing will be before the Honorable David Harrington, Deputy Judge of Tribal Court. You are required to appear at the above time and place for the hearing.

If the petitioner fails to appear at the Leech Lake Tribal Court at the above date and time for the hearing, the matter may be dismissed by the Court.

If the respondent fails to appear at the Leech Lake Tribal Court at the above date and time for the hearing, default judgment may be taken against you at that time and the requested relieve may be granted to the petitioner. You are served with this notice via legal publication in the DeBahJiMon in two consecutive issues (Leech Lake Judicial Code, Title 2, Part II, Rule 5, Section C(5)) because you are a party to this proceeding or you are a person whose presence is important to determination concerning your child.

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In Re the Custody of: V.R., Minor Child, DOB: 07/25/2016; V.R, Minor Child, DOB: 02/20/2018. Joshua E. Wind, Petitioner, And Winona Redday, Respondent.

Case No. FA-20-59

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on June 24, 2020, a **Petition for Custody and Parenting Time was filed** with the Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parents. You, the respondent herein, are hereby notified that you must file a response in the office of the Leech Lake Tribal Court on or before February 25th, 2021 at 9:00 a.m., the date of the Initial hearing scheduled in Leech Lake Tribal Court, Tribal Justice Center, Cass Lake, Minnesota. Failure to appear at the above date and time may result in a default judgment being entered against you, the respondents, at that time for the relief requested in the Petition, and any other relief may be granted as prayed for by the petitioner.

You are served with this notice via legal publication in the DeBahJiMon in two consecutive issues (Leech Lake Judicial Code, Title 2, Part II, Rule 5, Section C(5)) because you are a party to this proceeding or

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of: Stephanie Cloud and Lawrence Charette

Court File No. CP-09-28

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on October 26, 2020, a **Transfer of Legal Custody Petition was filed** in Leech Lake Tribal

Court regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parents. Please Contact Leech Lake Tribal Court Administration for the next hearing date and time. The telephone number is (218) 335-3682 or 3586. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order against you.

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of: Margaret Robinson

Court File No. CP-18-22

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on August 31, 2020, a **Transfer of Legal Custody Petition was filed** in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parents. Please Contact Leech Lake Tribal Court Administration for the next hearing date and time. The telephone number is (218) 335-3682 or 3586. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order against you.

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of: Heather TeJohn and Neil LaDuke, parents.

Court File No. CP-19-19

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on October 10, 2019, an **Emergency Child/Family Protection Petition was filed** in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parents. Please Contact Leech Lake Tribal Court Administration for the next hearing date and time. The telephone number is (218) 335-3682 or 3586. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order against you.

LEGAL NOTICE

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Tribal Court

In the Matter of the Welfare of the Child(ren) of: Kelli Norton and Jared Norton

Court File No. CP-20-06

NOTICE

YOU ARE HEREBY notified that on October 7, 2020, an **Emergency Child/Family Protection Petition was filed** in Leech Lake Tribal Court regarding the child(ren) of the above-named parents. Please Contact Leech Lake Tribal Court Administration for the next hearing date and time. The telephone number is (218) 335-3682 or 3586. You are served with this notice because you are a party to this proceeding. If you fail to appear for this hearing the Court may find you in default and enter an order against you.

► *Obituaries Continued***Leticia Patella Rodriguez**

Leticia Amanda Patella Rodriguez, “TissBawl”, 27 years young, of Bemidji, Minnesota began her journey home unexpectedly on Tuesday, November 10th, 2020 from Bemidji, MN. She was born to Miranda Butcher and Rodolfo Rodriguez, Jr. on June 20th, 1993 in Minneapolis, MN.

Leticia was a dope soul all around. Everyone loved to be around her. She had a contagious laugh and sense of humor that kept those around her smiling and laughing. Leticia was huge on family, but her children were her world. She would do anything to help her family. Leticia loved being adventurous and outgoing, she enjoyed listening to music and dancing with Cassidy. She also enjoyed going to work, hanging out with her friends, going to powwows and cooking.

Family that Leticia is reunited with are her parents, Miranda Butcher and Rodolfo Rodriguez, Jr.; grandparents, Lorraine Butcher and Daniel Masqua; auntie, Jolaine Bigbear; special friend, Sonnie Ringley and numerous other family members.

Those left behind to forever cherish her memory are her children, Ava Rodriguez, Anthony Robinson, Jr. and Cassidy Ammesmaki; sisters, Nyiesha Surratt, Delores “Lola” (Brandon) Rodriguez, Renee Rodriguez, Alexandra (Erik) Butcher, Mikayla Butcher and Carol Martinez; brothers, Luiz (Sydney) DelaRosa, Malachi Jackson, Isaiah Jackson, Mondo Rodriguez and Romeo Rojas; nieces, Bria, Miranda, Nizhoni, Emmy and Elyce; nephews, Rosendo and Jayvon, many aunties, uncles, cousins and far to many friends to name.

An overnight wake for Leticia will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, November 16th and continue until her 1:00 p.m. funeral service on Tuesday, November 17th all being held at the Onigum Community Center in Onigum, MN. Father Matthew Cobb will officiate. Pallbearers for Leticia will be Luiz DelaRosa, Erik Lopez, Adrian Rice, Kyle Butcher, Anthony Robinson,

Nicholas Ammesmaki and Shawn Butcher. Her honorary pallbearers are Mercedes Fineday, Shania Redday, Joseph Norton, Justice Wind, Patience Thoms, Ashley Diver, Marci Faye Negrette, Calli Jordan, Miranda Rice, Cheylynn Rodriguez, Adrhionah Brown, Alissa Donnell, Missy Morrison and Tyler Butcher. Interment will be in the St. John’s Episcopal Cemetery at Old Agency, MN.

Leticia’s care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northernpeace.com

Wallace “Wally” Humphrey

Wallace “Wally” Norman Humphrey, 83, of Cass Lake, MN died Saturday, October 24, 2020 at his home.

Funeral Services will be held at 10:00 am, Friday, October 30, 2020 at Bena Community Center (old housing) in Bena, MN. A wake will begin at 3:00 pm, Thursday, October 29, 2020 at the Bena Community Center and go until the time of the service. Interment will be at the Lakeview Cemetery in Bena, MN under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home in Bemidji.

He was born December 16, 1936 in Squaw Lake, MN the son of George and Mamie (Tuttle) Humphrey. He was raised in Bena, and graduated from Boy River High School with honors. He was a star basketball player in high school. He attended Haskell University in Kansas for 2 years. He served in the US Army during Vietnam, and was honorably discharged in 1962. He began work with Indian Health Services shortly after serving. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and attending powwows. He was Cass Lake Bena Panthers #1 fan in all sports.

He is survived by his children Wallis, Steven, Thomas, Annie, Esther, and Charles Humphrey; sisters, Violet Reyes, Esther (Ted) Bogda, and Avis Poupart; brother Frank Humphrey; numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers, George, Lawrence, Raymond, and

Wilbur, sister Dolly Evans, and infant sister Florence Humphrey.

Condolences may be left at ceasefuneralhome.com.

Wilbur Humphrey

Wilbur Vern Humphrey Sr., 79, of Minneapolis, MN, died Thursday, September 3, 2020, at Hennepin Healthcare in Minneapolis, MN.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 am, Friday, September 11, 2020, at the Veteran’s Memorial Building in Cass Lake, MN. A wake will begin at 4:00 pm, Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at the Veteran’s Memorial Building in Cass Lake, MN, and will continue until the time of the service at the Veteran’s Memorial Building. Interment will be in the Lakeview Cemetery in Bena, MN, under the direction of the Cease Family Funeral Home of Bemidji.

Wilbur was born on July 27, 1941, in Cass Lake, MN, the son of George and Mamie (Tuttle) Humphrey. He was raised in Bena, and graduated from the Boy River High School. He was a star basketball and football player in High School. He served in the US Army during Vietnam, and was honorably discharged. He worked in the roofing and construction industry, and eventually became an inspector, flying all over the country to evaluate roofing projects. He loved playing guitar in his country western band “Country Willie.” He enjoyed spending time out doors in the woods, hunting, and wild ricing. He loved spending time with his grandchildren, and supporting the Minnesota Vikings.

He is survived by his: Children, Wilbur Humphrey Jr. Jocelyn Humphrey, Terra Needham, Andrea Humphrey, Siblings, Frank Humphrey, Wallace Humphrey, Violet Reyes, Esther (Ted) Bogda, Avis Poupart, Numerous Grandchildren, Nieces, Nephews, and Cousins.

He is preceded in death by his: parents, brothers George Humphrey, Lawrence Humphrey, Raymond Humphrey, sister Dolly Evans, and infant sister Florence Humphrey.

Condolences may be left at ceasefuneralhome.com.

William “Fatts” Windom

William “Fatts” Walter Windom, age 87, of Pennington, Minnesota began his journey to the spirit world on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 from the Cass Lake IHS Hospital in Cass Lake, MN.

William was born on March 20th, 1933 in Cass Lake, MN, the son of Daisy (Fineday) and Arthur Windom. He enjoyed hunting, being outdoors doing yard work and teaching his grandkids about nature and how to rice. William embraced his tradition and culture; he traveling the powwow trails, teaching his family a little about their history and the Ojibwe language and how to survive on the land, a lesson he learned at a young age. He enjoyed sharing stories about his days in the Army. William loved spending time with his family and grandkids, movies, cars and shoes.

Family that William is reunited with are his wife, Shirley; daughters, Imogene and Roberta Williams; parents, Daisy and Arthur; brothers, Joe and Martin; sister, Alice; grandsons, Lawrence Hart, Jr. and Robbie Rederth; nephew, Patrick Smith and several more relatives.

Those left behind are his sons, Levi (Robin) Williams, Sr. of Bemidji and Damascus “Troy” Williams of Pennington; daughters, Lisa Williams of Pennington and Barbara Ann (Gene) Jens of Sisseton, SD; special grandchildren that he helped to raise, Shannon (Roger), Sherona (Tony), Cynthia, Jeremiah and Jordan; special nieces, Barbara and Doreen Smith and Nancy Hart; many more grandchildren, great grandchildren, great great grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews and other family members.

An overnight wake for William will begin at 12:00 p.m., Saturday, November 21st, 2020 and continue until his 1:00 p.m. traditional service on Sunday, November 22 all being held at the Pennington Community Center in Pennington, MN. Pallbearers for William will be Jordan Williams, Ephrem Curry, Cody Williams, David Curry, Jr., Levi Williams, Jr. and Roger Johnson, Jr. Alternate pallbearers are Josh Holstein and William Holstein. His honorary pallbearers are all his family and friends. Interment will be in the Windom Family Burial Grounds at Pennington, MN following his Sunday services.

William’s care has been entrusted to Northern Peace Funeral Home of Walker, MN. Online condolences for the family may be left at www.northernpeace.com

Honoring & Celebrating Our Elders December Birthdays

District I

Burton Alger Sr.
Joel Bebeau
William Bowstring
Bonita Cloud
Sandra Fairbanks
Norman Goggleye
Margaret Greenside
Brian Howard
Helen Jackson

Delores Lindberg
Clement Nason Jr.
Dorothy Robinson
Gary Roy
Howard Sherman
Donna Tibbetts
Joseph White Jr.
Donald White
Darrell Wilson Sr.

From the
District I Office
Robbie, Stephanie, &
Zagajiw

District II

Kenneth Brown
Henrietta Finn
Mary Helling
Myrna Whitebird
Lori Gale
Anthony Boswell

From the District II Office
Steve, Lindsey, &
Michelle



District III*

Debra Adams	Jeffrey Harper	Jay Nordmarken
Yvonne Amundson	Douglas Harrison	Russell Northbird
James Baker	Loren Howard	Vernon Northbird
Vernon Barsness	Lorie Howard	Roberta Olson
Beverly Beaulieu	Rosetta Howard	Lawrence Otto
Carol Blue	Teri Howard	Jacqueline Peltier
Sharon Brown	Vikki Howard	Barbara Perleberg
Arlen Buckanaga	Wallace Humphrey	Teresa Northbird-
Robert Budreau	Patricia Jackson	Persell
Leroy Campbell	Carol Jenkins	Jerry Reyes
Edward Chase	Cheryl Johnson	Carol Rober
Valerie Chase	Nancy Johnson	Debbi Roberts
Lloyd Dahl	Annabel Kingbird	Larry Robinson
Rowa Donovan	Margery Kumalae	Bernard Rock
Loretta Duncanson	Helen Lindemann	Eugene Rock
Cheryl Dunn	Francis Littlewolf	Lianne Ryan
Sherry Elmberg	Rosalie Lovelace	Dewayne Smith
Delores Fairbanks	Kim Lucero	George Smith
Johnny Fairbanks	Jeffrey Lyons	John Smith
Kathryn Fairbanks	Deborah MacKinnon	Samuel Smith
Priscilla Fairbanks	Larry Madigan	Alexander Stoltza
Jewel Finn	Arthur Mainville	Wallace Storbakken
Jennifer French	Betty McCormack	Victoria White
Cynthia Gale	Jerry Morgan	Nancy Whitebird
Claircy Gonzales	Ernestine Morgan-	Gloria Wilson
Coleen Gullickson	Johnson	Gregory Wright
Howard Hardy	Tracey Morrow	Ricky Wuori
Ronald Hare	James Nason	Todd Wuori

From the District III Office
LeRoy, Toni & Kari

**All coupons must be used
within Birthday Month**

January is National Radon Action Month!

Radon is a radioactive gas naturally produced from the decay of elements found in the dirt underneath our homes. Our homes on Leech Lake Reservation range from low to high levels. Even though we cannot see radon or smell it – Radon is real! It is an Invisible, odorless radioactive gas that is bad for our lungs. Radon is the 2nd leading cause of lung cancer in the U.S. for people who don't smoke. Radon is responsible for an estimated 21,000 deaths from lung cancer each year. Radon can cause lung cancer when exposed to it over a long time.

Many of us live in houses that are well sealed from the outdoor air. This can cause a problem since radon can build up to high levels in our homes. Your home might have high levels of radon and you wouldn't even know it. No matter what type of home you live in: brand new and airtight or old and drafty radon isn't picky. To date we have assisted almost 400 Leech Lakers in making their homes safer by reducing their radon. Join us in reducing radon across Leech Lake Reservation. Harm to our lungs can be prevented, we just have to test!

Protect your Family – Prevent Lung cancer – Test your Home.

Contact: Radon Technician at 218-335-3716 or DRM Air Quality Specialist at 218-335-7441

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Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Emergency Relief Assistance to Tribal Members Verification of Need Form

Program Eligibility Requirements:

1. Must be an enrolled LLBO Tribal member.
2. Must be enrolled with Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe as of 10/23/20.
3. Must demonstrate a need for assistance by checking at least one box on the Economic Impact Directly Related to COVID-19 Pandemic below.*
4. Individual must sign and return this Form on or before 12/14/20 to Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, Emergency Relief Assistance, 190 Sailstar Dr NW, Cass Lake, MN 56633

Eligible Tribal members 18 and over may receive a one-time payment of \$250.00.

First Name: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____ DOB: _____

Tribal ID #: _____ Last 4 SSN: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Physical Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Mailing Address: Same as Physical Address (must be able to receive mail at address provided)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Economic Impact Directly Related to COVID-19 Pandemic (check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Furloughed or Terminated from Employment | <input type="checkbox"/> Purchase of Personal Protective Equipment and Cleaning Supplies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unemployed at start of pandemic | <input type="checkbox"/> Member Owned Business closed or run at diminished capacity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Increased Health Care Expenses | <input type="checkbox"/> Quarantine Costs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Increased Child Care Expenses | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: Explain, Use back of page if necessary. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Increased Grocery and/or Food Delivery Expenses | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Expenses related to Home-Schooling | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Expenses related to working remotely | _____ |

Disclaimer: In submitting this application, I declare and certify that the information and documentation is true and correct regarding the impact of the COVID-19 public health emergency. I further agree to assist the LLBO in seeking any further necessary verification of the submitted information upon reasonable request. Contact information submitted on this form will be updated in the Tribal Enrollment database.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

APPLICATION PERIOD HAS BEEN EXTENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe COVID-19 Stimulus Payment Program Frequently Asked Questions

Who is eligible for the program?

All enrolled members of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe who are enrolled with Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe as of October 23, 2020. Qualified applicants must also have experienced an economic impact as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and check at least one box in the "Economic Impact" section of the application. This payment is to take the place of the Tax Rebate payment. **Enrolled members younger than 18 years of age will have amount added to Minor's Trust, no application is necessary for these individuals.**

How do I apply?

Online Applications will be available at: <https://hipaa.jotform.com/203085537890158> Online applications will open on November 9, 2020 and will close on December 14, 2020 at 11:59 PM. Paper Applications can be downloaded from <http://www.llo-jibwe.org/covid-19.html> **Paper Applications will open on November 23, 2020 and must be postmarked by December 14, 2020.**

How do I submit my application?

All band members are encouraged to use the on-line application whenever possible. Paper applications and the drop off box for these forms are located outside the Tribal Assistance Office at the Dairy Queen building. Applications can also be mailed to Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, Emergency Relief Assistance, 190 Sailstar Dr NW, Cass Lake, MN 56633. Paper submissions will only be accepted via the drop box or the U.S. Postal Services.

When will I receive my payment?

Payments will be mailed on December 4, 2020 for all applications submitted with no errors and received by 11:59 pm Thursday, December 3, 2020. Please allow at least two weeks from the date of submission after December 4, 2020 before inquiring on the status of your application. Paper applications may take longer.

How will I receive my payment?

All checks will be processed and mailed directly to band members using the information provided on the application, **it is important the applicant is able to receive mail at the mailing address provided, please ensure information is updated with the U.S. Postal Service. There will be no in person pickup allowed.**

How much will I receive?

Each approved applicant will receive a one-time payment of \$250.00

What if I do not know my enrollment number?

Your correct enrollment number is required in order to process your application. If an incorrect number is used, your application will be rejected and a staff member will call or email you at number/email address provided on the application.

In order to obtain your enrollment number, your social security number and other information will be required. Please contact one of the following numbers:

>218-335-3626
>218-335-3643
>218-335-3601

The online application is not working for me, what do I do?

If the online application is giving you an error or won't allow you to submit, please call 218-335-3643.



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*Earn 1 entry for every 10 Player's Club points starting at 12:01am Thursday, December 31st, 2020, through 10pm, January 2nd, 2021. See Players Club for rules and complete details. Management reserves all rights.

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Filet Oscar – 7oz filet mignon, 2 king crab legs, asparagus and Bearnaise sauce. Served with Asiago whipped potatoes, salad and caramel lava cake.

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